

Westward Expansion Test Essay Grading Rubrics

Short Answers: You will have to complete both short answers on your test. Each short answer will need to have an introduction, body and conclusion.

1. What is manifest destiny and how did it contribute to the settlement of the American west?

- ✓ **Introduction that includes the definition of manifest destiny(1 pt)**
- ✓ **2 examples of positive effects of manifest destiny**
 - **Example #1** (2 pts)
 - **Example #2** (2 pts)
- ✓ **2 examples of negative effects of manifest destiny**
 - **Example #1** (2 pts)
 - **Example #2** (2 pts)
- ✓ **Conclusion 1pt** (1pt)

Total: 10 points

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2. What are push factors and pull factors? Provide two examples of push factors and two examples of pull factors. Explain how each example influenced settlers who were moving west.

✓ Introduction	(1pt)
✓ Define Push Factors	(2 pts)
○ Example #1	(1 pt)
○ Example #2	(1 pt)
✓ Define Pull Factors	(2 pts)
○ Example #1	(1 pt)
○ Example #2	(1 pt)
✓ Conclusion	(1 pt)
Total: 10 points	